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* 700 Q.—SRI T. T. DANIEL : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state whether there is any proposal to bring in legislation to pay a pension of Rs. 20 per month for old men, invalids, blindmen who have no means to maintain themselves and whose age is above sixty?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : No. Sir.

SRI T. T. DANIEL : In view of the fact that these persons suffer much because they are unable to take care of themselves and the society also does not take care of them, will the Government think of rendering help to these persons becuse there are a number of persons requiring such help and offer them some maintenance so that our State and our Society may have the blessings of these old people?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : These are suggestions for action. If these suggestions could be made during the Budget discussion on some of the appropriate demands, I am sure the Hon. Minister in charge will be able to give replies.

A case of murder

* 701. Q.—SRI A. A. RASHEED : Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether a murder has taken place in Vaniyambadi on the 6th December 1960;

(*b*) if so, whether the murderers have been arrested; and

(*c*) whether the Police dogs have been used to detect the murderers?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (*a*) A case of assault was registered on 6th December 1960 in Vaniyambadi Town Police station. As the victim succumbed to his injuries on 7th December 1960 the case was treated as murder.

(*b*) All the three accused were arrested on 8th December 1960.

(*c*) No, Sir. There was no need to call in the Police Dog Squad.

MR. SPEAKER : Is the case sub-judice? Is it before a Magistrate?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Yes, Sir.

MR. SPEAKER : The matter is sub-judice. No supplementaries.

Traffic congestion (City)

* 702 Q.—SRI K. SATTANATHA KARAYALAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal to relieve the traffic congestion in the City by diverting lorry and cart traffic away from the main-roads and by providing alternative arterial roads to relieve the congestion; and

(*b*) if so, when it will be given effect to?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (*a*) & (*b*) There is a proposal to prohibit entirely the plying of hand-carts and bullock carts on the main roads by providing alternative routes for relieving traffic congestion in the City. As a first step, it has been decided to ban hand-drawn and animal drawn vehicles along Mount Road from Gemini to Round Tana. The decision will be implemented as soon as sign boards which are under manufacture, are ready for erection at the appropriate places.

Lorry traffic is already prohibited on certain roads in the City during peak hours. There is no further proposal to prohibit such traffic.

9-0 a.m. **SRI K. SATTANATHA KARAYALAR:** *போக்கு வரத்து நெரிசலைத் தவிர்க, முக்கியமாக க்வீன்ஸ் விஸிட்டு போகிற சமயங்களில் ஹை ப்ரையாரிடி கொடுக்கக்கூடிய ரோடுகளை முன்கூட்டியே திட்டவட்டமாக அறிவிக்கப்படுமா, அது சம்பந்தமாக யோசனை செய்யப்படுமா ?*

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : *பெரிய மனிதர்கள் வருவது அபூர்வம், அதற்கு முன்னேற்பாடு வேண்டியதில்லை. மேன்மை தங்கிய ராணி வந்தபோது, கூடியவரையில் நல்ல முறையிலேயே போக்கு வரத்து சமாளிக்கப்பட்டது.*

SRI V. K. RAMASWAMI MUDALIYAR : I understand that orders have been placed for these sign boards in some other States. They have been pending for a long time. May I know, Sir, when exactly these sign boards would be received and when the recommendations of the Police Commissioner would be implemented?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : It is just under manufacture. It will be available very soon and this will be implemented.

Industries in the Public Sector

MR. SPEAKER: *கனம் இண்டஸ்ட்ரீஸ் மினிஸ்டர் வந்துவிட்டார், அவர்களுடைய கேள்விகளை எடுத்துக் கொள்ளுவோம்.*

* 682 *Q.*—SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state the details of industries expected to be started in he Public Sector during the Third Five-Year Plan period?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : It is presumed that hon. Member refers to large and medium scale industries sponsored by the State Government. The Public Sector Projects proposed to be set up by the Government of Madras during the Third Five-Year Plan period are—

(1) a steel re-rolling mill with an annual production capacity of 20,000 tons of mild steel bars, roads, etc., required for construction works of Government departments. The cost of this project is estimated at Rs. 1 crore.